

REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 34-40 and 53-64 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 13-33 and 41-52 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein. No new matter is added by the above amendment. In view of at least the following, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-12, 34-40 and 53-64 are allowed.

II. Restriction Requirement

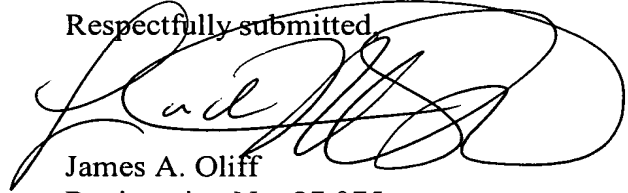
The Office Action constructively elects claims 1-12, 34-40 and 53-64 and withdraws claims 13-33 from consideration. By this Amendment, claims 13-33 and 41-52 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein. Thus, the application is in condition for immediate allowance.

III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment:
Petition for Extension of Time

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